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Portable Fire Extinguishers



Proper Use of Portable Fire Extinguishers in the Workplace

A portable fire extinguisher is one of the most effective defenses that can be used to gain control of a fire. It is important that the person using the fire extinguisher is properly trained and able to correctly use the extinguisher.

Reaction time is from when the fire is discovered to the time when a person uses the fire extinguisher to extinguish the fire. In order to reduce the reaction time and improve the chances of extinguishing the fire, it is important for the worker to know where the fire extinguishers are located and how to properly use them.

Many fires spread out of control because workers simply do not know how to use fire extinguishers or because they have used the wrong type of extinguishers. Fire

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